

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): A composite element comprising

(i) a material based on comprising wood, wood-like materials and/or wood substitute materials and

(ii) a thermoplastic polyurethane,

wherein the thermoplastic polyurethane (ii) is ~~based on the reaction of~~ obtained by reacting

(a) hexamethylene diisocyanate with

(b) compounds reactive toward isocyanates and having a molecular weight of from 500 to 8 000 g/mol and

(c) chain extenders having a molecular weight of from 60 to 499 g/mol and ~~if required,~~ optionally as chain terminators, monofunctional compounds reactive toward isocyanates,

(d) catalysts and/or

(e) conventional assistants.

Claim 2 (Currently Amended): ~~[[A]]~~ The composite element as claimed in claim 1, wherein said material (i) is a wood board or particle board.

Claim 3 (Currently Amended): ~~[[A]]~~ The composite element as claimed in claim 1, wherein said thermoplastic polyurethane (ii) is comprised in a film or a film hinge. ~~hinge containing thermoplastic polyurethane.~~

Claim 4 (Currently Amended): ~~[[A]]~~ The composite element as claimed in claim 1, wherein the thermoplastic polyurethane (ii) is applied onto and/or into the material (i) by ~~means of~~ injection molding.

Claim 5 (Currently Amended): A furniture carcass comprising ~~[[a]]~~ the composite element as claimed in claim 1, ~~any of claims 1 to 4~~.

Claim 6 (Currently Amended): A door comprising ~~[[a]]~~ the composite element as claimed in claim 1, ~~any of claims 1 to 4~~.

Claim 7 (Currently Amended): A film hinge ~~based on~~ comprising a thermoplastic polyurethane.

Claim 8 (Currently Amended): A process for the production of ~~[[a]]~~ the composite element as claimed in claim 1, the process comprising: ~~any of claims 1 to 4, wherein~~  
applying the thermoplastic polyurethane (ii) ~~is applied by means of~~ injection molding onto and/or into ~~[[a]]~~ the material ~~based on~~ comprising wood, wood-like material and/or wood substitute material.